

CIVIL DISTURBANCE

SD 101

TRAINING OBJECTIVES

**GIVEN A LECTURE AND DISCUSSION, YOU
WILL BECOME FAMILIAR WITH CURRENT
CIVIL DISTURBANCE DOCTRINE, TACTICS
AND EQUIPMENT**

REFERENCES

⇒ FM 19-15 (CIVIL
DISTURBANCE)

□ DA CIVIL DISTURBANCE PLAN
(GARDEN PLOT)

□ AR 190-14 (USE OF FORCE)

□ AR 500-51 (MILITARY
SUPPORT TO CIVILIAN LAW
ENFORCEMENT)

□ AR 500-70 (MILITARY

CIVIL DISTURBANCE

(DEFINITION)

**CIVIL DISTURBANCES ARE RIOTS,
ACTS OF VIOLENCE,
INSURRECTIONS, UNLAWFUL
OBSTRUCTIONS OR
ASSEMBLAGES, OR EITHER
DISORDERS PREJUDICIAL TO
PUBLIC LAW AND ORDER**

THE FOREIGN BATTLEFIELD

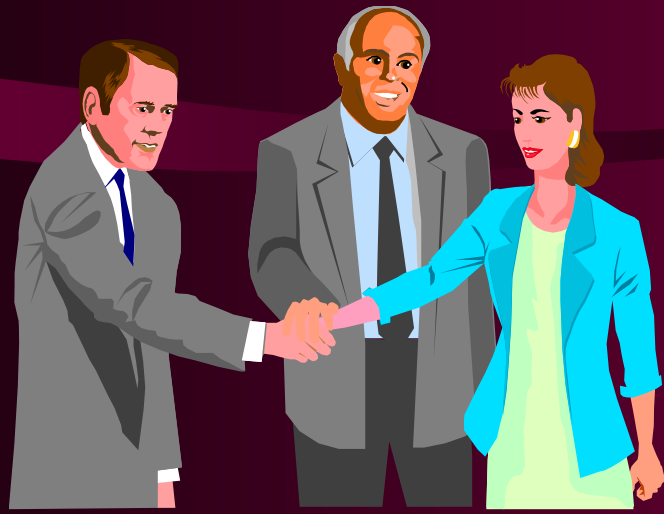
- DOD INSTALLATIONS
 - U.S. CONSULATES
 - U.S. EMBASSIES

THE DOMESTIC BATTLEFIELD

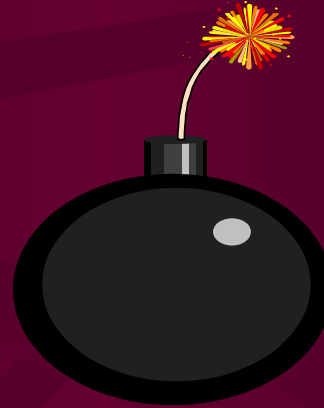
- ✕ URBAN AREAS
 - ✕ NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS
 - ✕ NUCLEAR WEAPONS DESIGN
LABORATORIES
- AND SPECIAL AMMUNITION SITES
- ✕ REFUGEE CAMPS
 - ✕ OTHER GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

PARTICIPANTS

- **UNEMPLOYED**
- **ENVIRONMENTALISTS**
- **ANTI-NUCLEAR ACTIVISTS**
- **FOREIGN/DOMESTIC ANTI-US POLICY**
- **CURIOUS BYSTANDERS**
- **SYMPATHETIC ONLOOKERS**



LABOR DISPUTES



UNHAPPY
EMPLOYEES



THE THREAT

- ▣ POLITICAL CAUSES
- ▣ INNER CITY CONFLICTS
- ▣ TERRORIST ORGANIZATIONS
- ▣ FOREIGN INFLUENCE
- ▣ INFLUX OF REFUGEES

EVOLUTIONARY STAGES OF A CIVIL DISTURBANCE

- ✓ **BASIC PROBLEMS**
- ✓ **RISE IN TENSION**
- ✓ **HIGH TENSION SITUATION**
- ✓ **INITIAL VIOLENCE**
- ✓ **SPREAD OF VIOLENCE**

WARNING SIGNS OF COMMUNITY TENSIONS

**⇒ GREATER FREQUENCY OF
RESISTING APPREHENSION**

**▣ INCREASE IN CHARGES OF POLICE
BRUTALITY**

**▣ INCREASE IN INCIDENTS OF
VIOLENCE RUMORS**

▣ APPEARANCE OF LITERATURE

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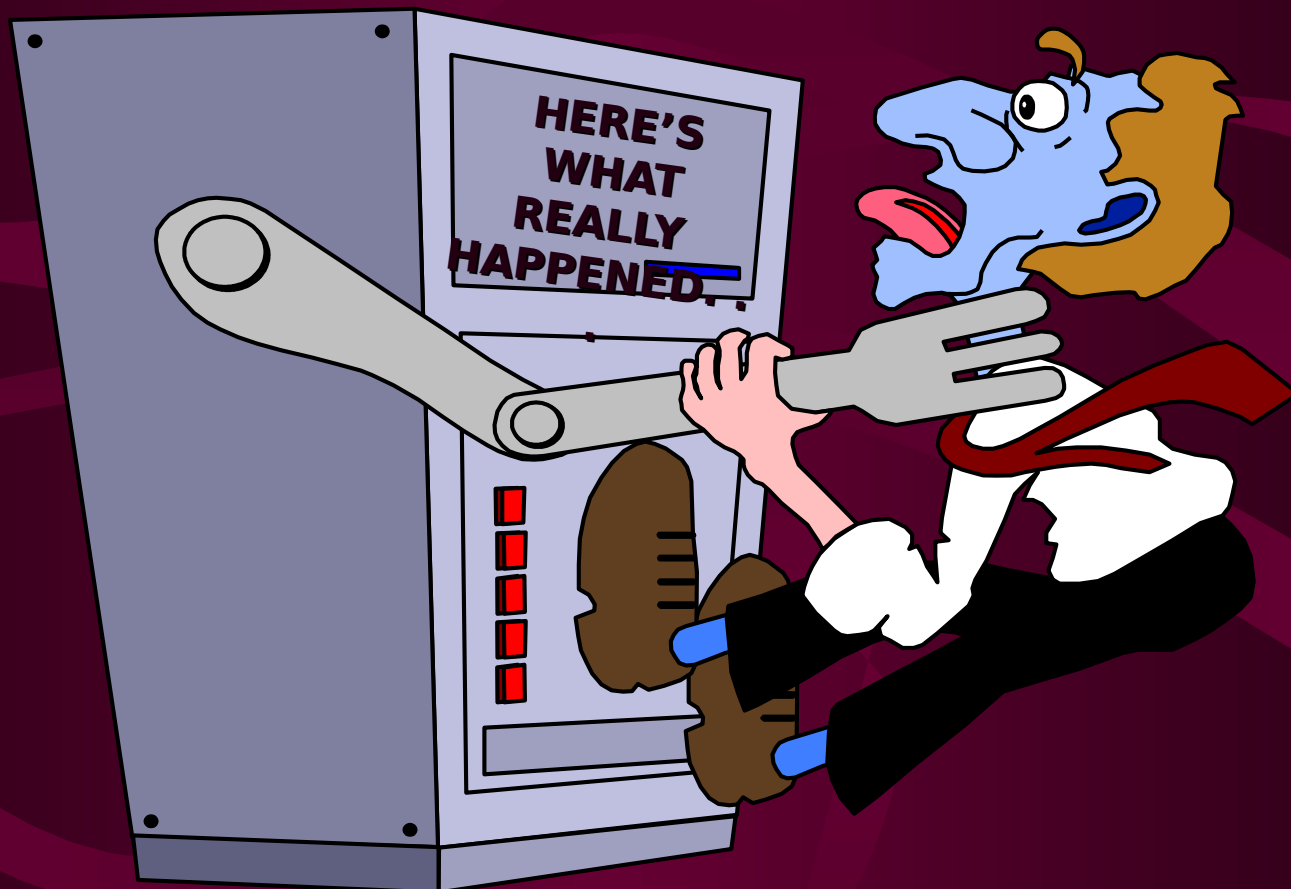
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ILLEGAL TACTICS

- **SIT-INS**
- **VANDALISM**
- **PENETRATE SECURITY BARRIERS**

COURSE OF CROWD ACTION

▮ USE OF WOMEN, CHILDREN, AND ELDERLY

→ USE OF BARRIERS

▮ ACTION AGAINST BARRIERS

▮ THROWN OBJECTS

▮ OBJECTS AGAINST TROOPS

▮ WEAPONS FOR AGAINST TROOPS

▮ USE OF FIRE/EXPLOSIVES

PSYCHOLOGICAL INFLUENCES ON CROWD CONTROL FORCE BEHAVIOR

- ✓ **ANONYMITY**
- ✓ **IMPERSONALITY**
- ✓ **SUGGESTION & IMITATION**
- ✓ **EMOTIONAL CONTAGION**
- ✓ **RELEASE FROM REPRESSED
EMOTIONS**

SPECIALIZED EQUIPMENT

- × ARMY, NAVY SURPLUS STORES
(I.e. Protective Masks, Military Clothing)**
- × BOOK STORES
(I.e. The Anarchist Cookbook)**
- × INTERNET**

WEAPONS

- ▣ **COKE CANS/BEER CANS**
(i.e. Filled with water or acid)
- ▣ **NEWSPAPER**
Pipe (i.e. Newspaper wrapped around a)
- ▣ **FISH-HOOK**
(i.e. Use large Hook with a weight, use Fishing line)
- ▣ **PICKET SIGN/STICK**
(i.e. Look for sharp points on the

CONTROL FORCE EQUIPMENT

USE OF EQUIPMENT

- **OBTAIN PERMISSION FROM COMMANDER TO USE ANY EQUIPMENT**
- **OBTAIN CLEAR INSTRUCTIONS (WHEN/WHERE/HOW)**
- **ONLY TRAINED OPERATORS**
- **EMPLOY UNDER FAVORABLE WIND CONDITIONS**
- **ADVISE THE CROWDS PRIOR TO USE**
- **PROVIDE ESCAPE ROUTES FOR THE CROWD**
- **DO NOT USE NEAR HOSPITALS, CONGESTED TRAFFIC OR HOUSING**

WARNING!!!

- **DOD POLICY PROHIBITS THE USE OF FIRE FIGHTING EQUIPMENT AND/OR PERSONNEL FOR CROWD CONTROL PURPOSES**
- **NAVAL SHIPS ARE EXEMPT FROM THIS POLICY**

FIREFIGHTING EQUIPMENT/PERSONNEL

- × MUST REMAIN AVAILABLE TO
FIGHT FIRES**
- × WILL BE VIEWED WITH HOSTILITY
BY CROWD, IF USED TO CONTROL
CROWD**
- × CROWD MAY TURN ON AND
ATTACK FIRE FIGHTING PERSONNEL
& EQUIPMENT**

OTHER WATER SOURCES

- **NBC DECON VEHICLES**
- **OTHER TYPES OF HIGH PRESSURE
PUMP
TRUCKS**

USE OF MILITARY WORKING DOG

- TRACK PERSONNEL**
- PERIMETER/STATIC GUARD
POST**
- BOMB DETECTION**
- PSYCHOLOGICAL DETERRENT**

USE OF ARMORED VEHICLE/ TRUCKS

- ▣ ASSIST IN CONTROLLING CROWDS**
- ▣ USED IN CONJUNCTION WITH GROUND TROOPS**
- ▣ ARMORED VEHICLES PRESENT A STRONG PSYCHOLOGICAL EFFECT**
- ▣ MILITARY TRUCKS USED FOR TRANSPORTING PURPOSES**

FORCE ESCALATION

- ▣ DO NOT ESCALATE THE CROWD VIOLENCE BY AUTOMATICALLY RESPONDING WITH DEADLY FORCE (RIFLES, SHOTGUNS, ETC.)**
- ▣ DEPLOY WITH ALTERNATIVE (NON-LETHAL) WEAPONS IF THE SITUATION ALLOWS**
- ▣ ALWAYS UTILIZE MINIMUM FORCE**

ALTERNATIVE WEAPONS

- * SHOW OF FORCE**

- * RIOT BATONS**

- * RIOT CONTROL AGENT
DISPERSERS**

CIVIL DISTURBANCE FORMATIONS

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ALTERNATE FORMATIONS



THE
DIAMOND



THE
CIRCLE

DEADLY FORCE WEAPONS

- ▮ **SHOTGUN**
- ▮ **RIFLES AND BAYONETS (AS A LAST
RESORT)**
- ▮ **REMEMBER TO USE MINIMUM
FORCE**
- ▮ **AUTOMATIC WEAPONS ARE CLOSELY
CONTROLLED BY TASK FORCE
COMMANDER**

DEADLY FORCE WEAPONS

(CONTINUED)

□ ONLY THE MOST DRASTIC CIRCUMSTANCES

**WOULD JUSTIFY THE USE OF
AUTOMATIC**

WEAPONS

**□ NO WEAPON LARGER THAN 7.62MM WILL
BE**

**TAKEN ON A CIVIL DISTURBANCE
MISSION**

PRIOR TO DEADLY FORCE

- ▮ **PERMISSION FROM TASK FORCE COMMANDER**

(IF POSSIBLE)

- ▮ **GIVE VERBAL WARNING**

- ▮ **NO WARNING SHOTS**

- ▮ **AIM TO WOUND**

CROWD PANIC POSSIBILITIES

- ▮ UPON DEPLOYING FORCE(S)**
- ▮ USE OF PSYCHOLOGICAL DETERRENCE**
- ▮ USE OF RIOT CONTROL AGENTS**
- ▮ USE OF DEADLY FORCE WEAPONS**
- ▮ USE OF MILITARY WORKING DOG(S)**

PANIC - CAUSES

- ▮ PERCEIVED THREAT**
- ▮ PARTIAL ENTRAPMENT**
- ▮ PARTIAL/COMPLETE BREAKDOWN OF ESCAPE ROUTE**
 - FAILURE- FRONT TO REAR COMMUNICATIONS**
- ▮ MASS CROWD EXPOSURE TO RIOT CONTROL AGENTS**



PLANNING

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

- * WEATHER**
- * FIELD PROCESSING TEAMS**
- * DETENTION FACILITIES**
- * MOBILE JAIL UNITS**
- * TRANSPORTATION**

DETENTION OF CIVILIANS

▮ HANDLING AND PROCESSING

**▮ ESTABLISHING AND OPERATIONS OF
A TEMPORARY FACILITY**

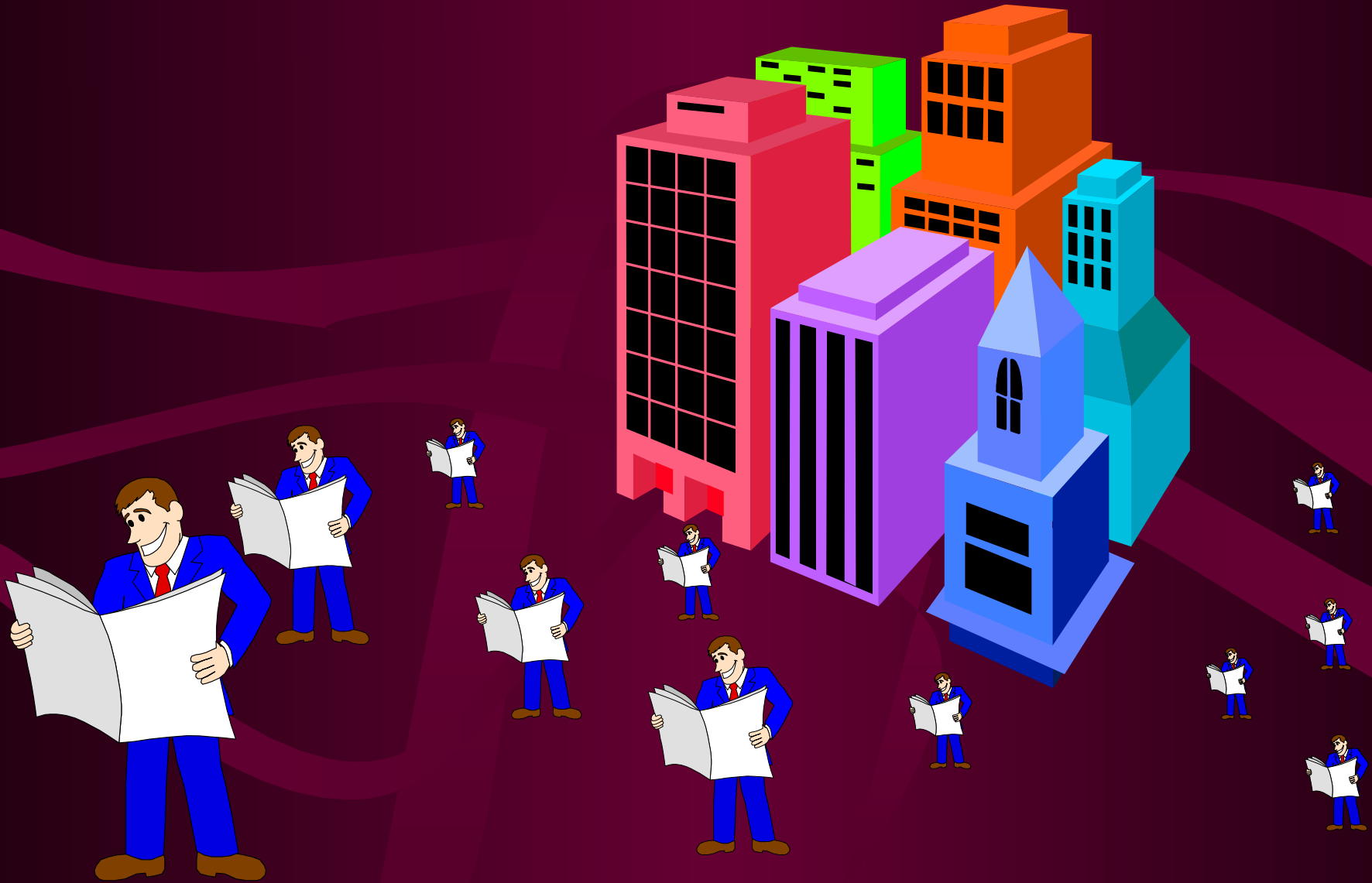
MOBILE COMMAND POST

- × USE OF COMMAND VEHICLE FOR CONTROL**
- × STORAGE OF ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT**
- × MOVEMENT OF RE-ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL**



THE MEDIA AND PUBLICITY

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“...MUST BE INCLUDED IN ALL
PLANNING AND OPERATIONAL
ACTIVITIES RELATING
TO TERRORISM AND OTHER
MAJOR DISRUPTIONS.”

PRESS RELATIONS

- IMPLEMENT MEDIA POLICY
- ESTABLISH PRESS CENTER
- KEEP PRESS INFORMED
- CONTROL MEDIA RESPONSES
- HOLD PRESS CONFERENCES

FEDERAL/ FEDERALIZED TROOPS

- TASK FORCE COMMANDER APPOINTED
- TRAINED PERSONNEL
- USE OF MEASURES OF FORCE
- SECURE LIKELY TARGETS
- SEARCHES IN CIVIL DISTURBANCE AREA
- CURFEWS

TASK FORCE COMMANDER

- TWO-STAR (DOD GARDEN PLOT)
- ON-SCENE OF THE CIVIL DISTURBANCE
- CONTROLS ALL FEDERAL FORCES---
INCLUDING FEDERALIZED
RESERVE/NATIONAL GUARD TROOPS
- TIGHTLY CONTROLS AUTOMATIC
WEAPONS
- RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL ORDERS
ISSUED

TRAINED INSTALLATION PERSONNEL

- SRT
- EOD
- HOSTAGE NEGOTIATIONS
- COMMUNICATION PERSONNEL
- RIOT CONTROL AGENT DISPERSER
OPERATORS
- CROWD CONTROL TROOPS
- LEADERS

SECURE LIKELY TARGETS

- IMPORTANCE OF FACILITY
- VULNERABILITY OF FACILITY
- INTENT AND CAPABILITY OF
DEMONSTRATORS

SEARCHES IN THE CIVIL DISTURBANCE AREA

- VEHICLES IN THE C.D. AREA
- CIVIL AUTHORITIES ARE NOT AVAILABLE
- PROBABLY CAUSE
- DELAY-VIOLENCE
- STOP AND FRISK

CURFEWS

- THE PROCLAMATION OF A CURFEW MUST COME FROM CIVIL AUTHORITIES

EMPLOYMENT OF FEDERAL TROOPS

LEGAL BASIS OF FEDERAL INTERVENTION AND ASSISTANCE

POSSE COMITATUS ACT

ARTICLE IV OF THE CONSTITUTION

CIRCUMSTANCES

- AT THE REQUEST OF THE STATE
- AFTER ALL STATE RESOURCES AND CAPABILITIES HAVE BEEN UTILIZED
- THROUGH THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
- TO ENFORCE FEDERAL LAWS*
- TO PROTECT FEDERAL PROPERTY*
- TO PROTECT CIVIL RIGHTS*

- *WHEN THE STATE REFUSES TO DO SO

AUTHORITY

- THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES IS THE ONLY PERSON AUTHORIZED FEDERAL FORCES OFF A MILITARY INSTALLATION (AND INTO A CIVILLIAN ENVIRONMENT IN THE U.S.) IN SUPPORT OF COMBATING CIVIL UNREST
- THE PRESIDENT WILL NORMALLY DO SO AT THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL AFTER THE STATE HAS REQUESTED ASSISTANCE

RESPONSIBILITY

- PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY OF LAW AND ORDER RESTS WITH THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT

QUESTIONS

